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REPLY AND AMENDMENT

In response to the *Ex parte Quayle* Action mailed May 2, 2007, the due date for response is hereby requested to be extended three months to October 2, 2007, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks.

The Applicant does not believe that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in connection with the electronic filing of this paper. If additional extensions of time are necessary, however, to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1283.

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Amendments to the Claims are on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks are on page 6 of this paper.